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Constantinople, February 18.

THE Porte seems at length to give some Attention to the Affairs of Persia; and they continue to assure us, that a numerous Army will be assembled on the Frontiers of that Kingdom in the Spring. The excessive cold Weather we have had for these five or six Weeks, has so purified the Air, that the contagious Distemper, of which some Parts of this City has scarce ever been clear for the last two Years, is now entirely ceased. An Express which arrived here a few Days ago from Aleppo, having brought Advice of the Death of Achmet Pacha, Governor of that City, the Grand Seignor has named Abdellah Pacha, Governor of Cairo, to succeed him; and Mehemed Pacha, heretofore Grand Vizier, is named to the Government of Cairo.

Lisbon, Feb. 21. The Prospect of a Marriage between their Majesties eldest Daughter, and the Archduke Joseph, engrosses the whole Conversation of this City; and the rather, as the Alliances, which will be the natural Consequences of it, are looked upon to be greatly to the Honour and Advantage of this Nation. On Wednesday last the Constance, a Dutch Ship from the Azores, commanded by Capt. Kamp, had the Misfortune to strike on a Sand Bank in entring the Tagus, and was dashed to Pieces. She had a valuable Cargo on Board, which, with her Crew and Passengers, consisting of 150 Persons, were all lost, except five Sailors, the Sea running so high, that no Boat or Vessel could possibly venture out to her Assistance.

Petersbourg, March 3. The Departure of the Great Chancellor Count Bestucheff for Moscow, is fixed for next Week. We are informed by Letters received this Post from Moscow, that her Imperial Majesty appears again in Publick as before her late Illness; and that most of the Persons belonging to the Court, who had been seized with the same Disorder, were recovered, except the Vice-Chancellor Count Woronzoff, who continues dangerously ill. We are assured by the last Advices received here from Persia, by the Way of Astracan, that Prince Heraclius of Georgia was preparing to make his publick Entry into Ispahan, in order to take Possession of the Throne of Persia, and to establish a Regency for the Administration of publick Justice, and for the Management of the Finances; after which he proposes to put himself again at the Head of his Army, to extirpate the Remainder of the Army of Schach Douh, who still keep Possession of some Provinces. Although this Court has hitherto paid little Regard to the Progress of Prince Heraclius, the Empress seems now determined, as soon as Affairs are settled, to send an Ambassador to compliment him upon his Advancement to that Throne; and to demand a Renewal of the ancient Treaties between the two Courts, which we flatter ourselves will be the readier complied with, as we have never given him the least Uneasiness.

Milan, March 6. The Officers belonging to the different Regiments quartered in this Dutchy, have received Orders to hold themselves in Readiness to pass in Review before the Commissaries of War, who are not only appointed to review them, but likewise to take an exact Account of the State and Condition of all our Magazines and Fortifications.

Genoa, March 7. The Preparations making by M. de Coursi, Commander of the French Troops in Corsica, to leave that Island, has obliged this Government to order a certain Number of Men to be drafted out of each Regiment and sent thither, in order to strengthen the Garrisons of Bastia, Calvi, Ajaccio, and San Bonifacio, which are all good Ports and well fortified.

Rome, March 10. The Hereditary Prince of Anspach arrived here last Sunday Evening with a numerous Retinue; and the Duke and Dutchess of Wirtembourg, for whom a magnificent Hotel is getting ready, are soon expected. 'Tis now said, that the two Millions of Piastres, which were lately remitted here by Order of the Court of Madrid, and which are at present lodged in the Castle of St. Angelo, are to be employed in paying off certain Debts, for which the Apostolick Chamber pays six and seven per Cent. Yesterday an Express arrived here from Calabria, with an Account of the Death of Cardinal Anthony Ruffo, Nephew to the late Cardinal Dean. According to our last Advices from Civita Vecchia, they are arming some Vessels in order to cruize on the Barbary Pyrates, who have lately begun again to infest the Coasts of the Ecclesiastical State.

Vienna, March 17. Her Imperial Majesty has lately regulated, by an Ordonnance, the Duties that all Merchandize is to pay for the future upon being brought into Bohemia or Moravia, from any of his Prussian Majesty's Dominions,

Dominions, which Ordonnance has been delivered to Baron Klingraff, the Pruſſian Miniſter. Laſt Thurſday a Courier arrived here from Bruſſels, with the Reſult of the Conferences that have been lately held between Count Caunitz Rittberg, and Count Bentinck, upon the Affair of the Barrier and Tariff. The ſame Day an extraordinary Council was held at the Palace, which laſted ſeveral Hours, at the breaking up of which, the ſame Courier was re-diſpatched for the Low Countries. The Empreſs Queen has conferred on Count Nicholas Eſterhaſi, the Regiment of Hungarian Foot lately commanded by Baron Andreaſy. Orders are iſſued for all the Officers who are abſent upon their Parole, to join their reſpective Regiments by the End of this Month, when they are to begin their Exerciſes, in order to prepare for the Reviews.

Paris, March 19. The Reports that have lately been ſpread of three Camps being to be formed in the Month of May next, one in Flanders, one in Alſace, and one in Frenche-Comté, ſeem to have no Foundation; and the rather, as it is certain there are no Diſpoſitions making for that Purpoſe in either of thoſe Provinces.

Berlin, March 21. Laſt Week a grand Conference was held at Potzdam, in the King's Preſence, at which all the Miniſters of State aſſiſted; and which, 'tis ſaid, turned upon Affairs of great Importance. His Majeſty has appointed M. de Schonholtz, to be Counſellor of War and Domains of the Department of Stettin.

Hague, March 26. Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Governante has nominated M. Cau, to the Poſt of Major of Fort Philippine, in the Room of M. Teuliere, who has obtained Leave to reſign that Employment; and M. Tama, having been nominated to the Poſt of Intendant of the Digues, and chief Magiſtrate of Ter-Heyde, he has taken the uſual Oaths to qualify himſelf for thoſe Employments. On Friday Night laſt Count Bentinck arrived here from Bruſſels.

London, March 17, 1753.

General Poſt-Office.

Whereas a Perſon of about Six Feet high, Fifty Years of Age, of a Swarthy Complexion, much pitted with the Small Pox, and wore a darkiſh coloured Coat, and a brown Bob Wig, came laſt Night, about Six of the Clock, to the Shop of Mr. Thomas Harding, Goldſmith, in the Minories, and bought of him a ſtraight bodied Silver Tankard, Weight 25 oz. 18 *dwt. with the Letters* C. D. *marked, by his Deſire, on the Handle thereof; and the ſaid Perſon having given, in Payment, for the ſaid Tankard, a* Bank Poſt Bill, *which was taken out of the Cirencester Mail, which was robbed on the* 18*th of April,* 1751, *and indorſed the ſaid* Bank Poſt Bill *by the Name of Charles Drew.*

This is therefore to give Notice to all Goldſmiths and others, to whom the ſaid Tankard may be offered in Sale, that whoever apprehends, or cauſes to be apprehended the Perſon above deſcribed, who is ſtrongly ſuſpected of having been a Principal, or an Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, ſhall, upon Conviction, be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen.*

By Command of the Poſt-Maſter-General,
George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

To Make the Lithontriptic Maſs *and* Electary.

TAKE Five Pounds of Alicant Soap, ſhaved, and One Pound of Oyſterſhell Lime; put them into a Tin Veſſel, and pour upon them Five Quarts of Water: Make the Water boil till the Soap be perfectly diſſolved in it, and then ſtrain all into a glazed earthen Veſſel. Expoſe this Maſs to the Air, ſtirring it every Day till it becomes both mild to the Taſte, and of a proper Conſiſtence to be formed into Pills or long Pellets, without ſticking to the Fingers. This may be expected to happen in Two or Three Months. If it becomes ſufficiently mild before it has acquired a due Conſiſtence, it may be brought to this by being heated over a Fire, in a Tin Veſſel: If it acquires too hard a Conſiſtence, before it be ſufficiently mild, it muſt be ſoften'd with Water. The Maſs here deſcribed is what I call the Lithontriptic Maſs. I direct a Tin Veſſel, becauſe a Braſs or Copper One would make it Emetic.

It may be prepared in a more expeditious Manner, as follows; (but, where Time can be allow'd for it, I prefer the foregoing) Pour Two Gallons of Water upon a Pound of Oyſterſhell Lime, ſtir it two or three Times, and when it has fallen to the Bottom, pour off the clear Part of the Water. Repeat this fifteen or twenty Times, or till the clear Water, which is poured off, be almoſt taſteleſs, leaving about Five Pints of Water upon the Lime, after the laſt Ablution: Then pour this Mixture of Water and dulcified Lime upon Five Pounds of Alicant Soap, ſhaved, and proceed as above directed. The Maſs thus prepared will be fit for Uſe in a few Days, or even immediately.

If the Maſs of Soap and Oyſterſhell Lime, dulcified in either of the above-mentioned Ways, be made of the Conſiſtence of an Electary, I call it the Lithontriptic Electary. This Form is more convenient than the Maſs, for thoſe who deſire to take the Medicine diſſolved in a liquid Vehicle: The moſt ſuitable ones are Milk, Water ſweeten'd with Honey or Sugar, Water flavour'd with Wine, Brandy, or Rum, and Small-Beer.

Where a Perſon is ſuppoſed to have a large Stone in the Kidney or Bladder, he ought to take every Day as much of the Lithontriptic Maſs, or Electary, as contains two Ounces of the Soap, unleſs his Pain and Provocation to make Water be violent; in which Caſe it will be proper to begin with about Half this Quantity, and to increaſe it as he can bear. The Medicine ought alſo, in this Caſe, to be dulcified in an extraordinary Degree.

The Generation of Gravel and Gravel-Stones may be entirely prevented by this Medicine: It is likewiſe of great Service in Diſorders of the Stomach and Bowels, ariſing from, or attended with Acidities there, and in gouty Habits. The Patient may, in any of theſe Caſes, begin with ſuch a Quantity every Day, as contains an Ounce of Soap, and afterwards increaſe or leſſen his Quantity as he finds Occaſion.

Bath, Dec. 5, 1752. D. HARTLEY.

East-India Houſe, Feb. 14, 1753.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the Eaſt-Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That the Tranſfer Books of the ſaid Company's Stock will be ſhut on Thurſday the 8*th Day of March next, at Two of the Clock.*

That a Quarterly General Court of the ſaid Company will be held at their Houſe in Leadenhall-ſtreet, on Wedneſday the 21*ſt Day of March next, at Eleven in the Forenoon.*

That the Liſts of the Members of the ſaid Company will be ready to be delivered at their ſaid Houſe, on Wedneſday the 28*th Day of the ſaid March.*

That

That a General Court will be held at their ſaid Houſe on Wedneſday the 11th Day of April next, for the Election of Twenty-four Directors of the ſaid Company for the Year enſuing, which will continue from Nine in the Morning until Six in the Afternoon of the ſame Day; after which no Liſts will be taken in.

And that the Transfer Books of the ſaid Company's Stock will be opened on Thurſday the 12th Day of the ſaid April.

Navy-Office, Feb. 21, 1753.

The principal Officers and Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy give Notice, That they will be ready to treat with ſuch Perſons as are deſirous to contract for the Stores undermentioned for his Majeſty's Service, on the Days expreſs'd againſt the ſame, that they may attend with their Propoſals accordingly, viz.

Norway Goods, Wedneſday 4th of April.

Advertiſements.

Exon, 31ſt March, 1753.

THIS is to give Notice to whom it may concern, That there is now confined in Southgate Priſon in this City, a Perſon who ſays his real Name is Paul Saint; but who hath ſometimes gone by the Name of James Roberts: He is about five Feet ten Inches high, of a dark Complexion, black Eyebrows, well grown, and about forty Years of Age. He wore, at the Time of his Commitment, a dark grizzle Wig curled, a light-colour'd fly Cloth Coat, a black Cloth Waiſtcoat, a new Pair of Buckſkin Breeches, and a ſmall Pair of White Metal Buckels in his Shoes. On his Examination, he ſaid he was born in the Pariſh of Cheſterfield in Derbyſhire, and ſerved as a Covenant Servant for two Years with one John Ulſton, a Farmer, in the Pariſh of Warſopp in the County of Nottingham, about twenty Years ago, and ſince has been a Tapſter and Oſtler at ſeveral Places, and particularly at Hull in Yorkſhire: But that for ſix or ſeven Months paſt he hath wandered about the County of Devon, with a forged Letter recommendatory from ſeveral Juſtices of the Peace of the County York; ſometimes alone and ſometimes in Company with one William Roberts, collecting Alms under Pretence of having loſt his Cattle by the preſent Contagious Diſtemper. When apprehended he was in Company with one Baxter, now in the County Gaol of Devon, charged with having robbed Dr. Hancock in the County of Somerſet, on the Road from Salisbury to Bath, and with another Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, who hath made his Eſcape. He will be detained till the next General Quarter Seſſions for this City and County, which will be held on the 30th of April next; and, in the mean Time, any Perſon is at Liberty to ſee him in the ſaid Priſon.

TO be peremptorily ſold, on Friday the 18th Day of May next, between the Hours of Four and Six of the Clock in the Afternoon, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Thomas Lane, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, The Manor of Dunterton, and a Parcel of Coppice Wood called Dunterrow, Wrixhill, Palmer's Cleave and Cartha-Martha, ſituate, lying and being in the County of Devon, late the Eſtate of William Clobery, Eſq; deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Office in Carey Street.

TO be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Thomas Lane, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, A Copyhold Eſtate, ſituate in the Pariſh of Carlton in Moorland in the County of Lincoln, conſiſting of one Cloſe of Meadow or Paſture Ground, known by the Name of Wetherſtake's Cloſe, containing, by Eſtimation, Nine Acres, late the Eſtate of John Watſon, deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Office in Carey Street.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree and a ſubſequent Order of the High Court of Chancery, before Anthony Allen, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Breame's Building near Chancery Lane, London, on Wedneſday the 16th Day of May next, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, A Barn and about 100 Acres of Arable, Meadow and Paſture Lands, ſituate at Taunton in the County of Somerſet, lett to Philip Cornish at 150 l. per Annum; and a Watercourſe, lett to the Town of Taunton at 2 l. per Annum, being Part of the Freehold Eſtates of Hugh Bickham, Eſq; deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Houſe.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Anthony Allen, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Breame's Buildings near Chancery Lane, London, on Thurſday the 10th Day of May next, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, A Meſſuage, with the Appurtenances at Woodford in the County of Northampton, now in the Occupation of Elizabeth Adams, of the yearly Value of 4 l. or thereabouts; and ſeveral Pieces of Arable, Meadow, and Paſture Lands, in the common Fields of Woodford, together with an Orchard, now lett to Samuel Blackwell at 7 l. per Annum, being all Freehold. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Houſe.

TO be ſold to the beſt Bidder, by the Aſſignees under a Commiſſion of Bankruptcy awarded againſt Richard Felton, of the Bank Coffee-houſe, Threadneedle Street, on the 16th Day of April next, at Five in the Afternoon, The ſaid Bankrupt's Intereſt, in the Remainder of a Leaſe (twenty nine Years whereof are to come) of two Houſes in Elbow Lane, London, in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. Fretwell, and Mr. Bennett, at the yearly Rent of 37 l. ſubject to a Ground Rent of 8 l. a Year payable thereout. For further Particulars enquire of William Ruſſell, Attorney, in Aldermanbury.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt John Green, of White Chapple in the County of Middleſex, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 13th and 18th of April Inſtant, and on the 15th of May next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame, but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Robert Cramond, of Great Ormond-ſtreet, in the Pariſh of Saint George the Martyr, in the County of Middleſex, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 12th and 19th Days of April Inſtant, and on the 15th of May next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chooſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt John Gilbert, of Thorney Abbey, in the Iſle of Ely, in the County of Cambridge, Shopkeeper, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet, on the 17th of May next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt William Waldron, of the City of Wincheſter in the County of Southampton, Maltſter and Carrier, intend to meet on the 30th of this Inſtant April, at Three in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of John Cole, being the Queen's Head Inn in the City of Wincheſter aforeſaid, in order to make a further Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend. And all Perſons who have made any Claims, are to come prepared to prove the ſame.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Daniel Hopkins, of Ratcliffe-Croſs in the County of Middleſex, Glazier, have certified to the Right Hon. Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the ſaid Daniel Hopkins hath in all Things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that by Virtue of an Act paſſed in the fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Act directs, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 24th of April Inſtant.

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